

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This Amendment is being submitted after a Notice of Appeal, prior to the filing of an Appeal Brief. Claims 1 - 29 have been canceled, in consideration of their appearance in co-pending application no. 10/783,300.

Disposition of claim 30 is being addressed in an Appeal Brief being filed subsequent hereto. Consideration and entry of this Amendment is earnestly solicited.

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